<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>:

The following is a complete listing of the claims, and replaces all earlier versions and listings.

Claim 1 (currently amended): A communicating apparatus comprising:

~~receiving means for receiving~~ <u>a receiving unit, adapted to receive</u> E-mails stored in a mail box provided on an E-mail server;

~~obtaining means for obtaining~~ <u>an obtaining unit, adapted to obtain</u> a size of <u>an</u> E-mail stored in [[said]] <u>the</u> mail box;

~~memory means for storing~~ <u>a storage unit, adapted to store</u> a maximum value of the size of [[one]] <u>an</u> E-mail which is <u>to be</u> received by said receiving [[means]] <u>unit</u>;

~~discriminating means for comparing~~ <u>a discriminating unit, adapted to compare</u> the size of <u>the</u> E-mail obtained by said obtaining [[means]] <u>unit</u> with [[said]] <u>the</u> maximum value <u>stored in said storage unit</u>, thereby discriminating whether <u>or not</u> the E-mail is receivable ~~or not~~; and

~~control means for sending an instruction for deleting the E-mail which was determined to be unreceivable by said discriminating means~~ <u>a control unit, adapted to control said receiving unit so as not to receive an E-mail discriminated by said discriminating unit as being not receivable, to send an instruction</u> to [[said]] <u>the</u> E-mail server <u>to delete the E-mail</u>, and ~~storing the fact~~ <u>to store into a communication history</u> that [[said]] <u>the</u> E-mail has been deleted ~~into a communication history~~.

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Claim 2 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control [[means]] unit receives only header information of the E-mail which was ~~determined to be unreceivable~~ discriminated as being not receivable by said discriminating [[means]] unit, and stores information that is obtained from the received header information into the communication history.

Claim 3 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said control [[means]] unit stores size information of the E-mail which was ~~determined to be unreceivable~~ discriminated as being not receivable by said discriminating [[means]] unit into the communication history.

Claim 4 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein after [[the]] an E-mail which was ~~determined to be~~ discriminated as being receivable by said discriminating [[means]] unit is received, said control [[means]] unit stores information obtained from the received E-mail into the communication history.

Claim 5 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein if a plurality of E-mails have been stored in [[said]] the mail box, said control [[means]] unit allows said discriminating [[means]] unit to discriminate whether ~~the E-mail is receivable or not with respect to~~ or not each E-mail of [[said]] the plurality of E-mails is receivable.

Claim 6 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a recording [[means]] unit, [[and] wherein after [[the]] an E-mail which was

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determined to be discriminated as being receivable by said discriminating [[means]] unit is received, said control [[means]] unit allows said recording [[means]] unit to record [[said]] the E-mail.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A communicating apparatus comprising:

obtaining means for obtaining an obtaining unit, adapted to obtain size information [[of]] for each of a plurality of E-mails stored in a mail box provided on an E-mail server;

selecting means for selecting a selection unit, adapted to select [[the]] a receivable E-mail on the basis of the size information obtained by said obtaining [[means]] unit; [[and]]

receiving means for receiving a receiving unit, adapted to receive an [[the]] E-mail selected by said selecting means selection unit from [[said]] the E-mail server; and

a control unit, adapted to control said receiving unit so as not to receive an E-mail which was not selected by said selection unit from the E-mail server.

Claim 8 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said selecting means selection unit compares a maximum value of a size of [[one]] an E-mail which has previously been stored with the size information obtained by said obtaining [[means]] unit, thereby discriminating whether [[said]] or not the E-mail is receivable or not.

Claim 9 (currently amended): An apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising ~~a~~ a deletion instructing ~~means for sending an~~ unit, adapted to send a delete instruction to the E-mail server for deleting the E-mails which were not selected by said ~~selecting means~~ selection unit from [[said]] the mail box ~~to said E-mail server~~.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A communicating method comprising:

a receiving step of receiving E-mails stored in a mail box provided on an E-mail server;

an obtaining step of obtaining a size of an E-mail stored in [[said]] the mail box;

a discriminating step of comparing the size of E-mail obtained [[by]] in said obtaining step with a maximum value of the size of [[one]] an E-mail which has previously been stored, thereby discriminating whether or not the E-mail is receivable ~~or not~~; and

a control step of ~~sending an instruction for deleting the E-mail which was determined to be unreceivable by said discriminating step~~ of controlling said receiving step so as not to receive an E-mail discriminated in said discriminating step as being not receivable, sending an instruction to [[said]] the E-mail server to delete the E-mail, and storing ~~the fact that said~~ into a communication history that the E-mail has been deleted ~~into a communication history~~.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A method according to claim 10, wherein in said control step, only header information of the E-mail which was ~~determined to be~~

~~unreceivable by~~ discriminated as being not receivable in said discriminating step is

received and information that is obtained from the received header information is stored

into the communication history.

Claim 12 (currently amended): A method according to claim 10, wherein in

said control step, the size information of the E-mail which was ~~determined to be~~

~~unreceivable by~~ discriminated as being not receivable in said discriminating step is stored

into the communication history.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A method according to claim 10, wherein in

said control step, after the E-mail which was ~~determined to be~~ discriminated as being

receivable [[by]] in said discriminating step is received, information obtained from the

received E-mail is stored into the communication history.

Claim 14 (currently amended): A method according to claim 10, wherein if

a plurality of E-mails have been stored in [[said]] the mail box, said control step allows

said discriminating step to discriminate whether [[the]] or not each E-mail ~~is receivable or~~

~~not with respect to each of said~~ of the plurality of E-mails is receivable.

Claim 15 (currently amended): A method according to claim 10, further

comprising a recording step, of ~~wherein in said control step~~, after the E-mail which was

~~determined to be~~ discriminated as being receivable [[by]] in said discriminating step is

received, [[said]] that E-mail is recorded.

Claim 16 (currently amended): A communicating method comprising:

an obtaining step of obtaining size information of each of a plurality of E-mails stored in a mail box provided on an E-mail server;

a selecting step of selecting [[the]] a receivable E-mail on the basis of the size information obtained [[by]] in said obtaining step; [[and]]

a receiving step of receiving the E-mail selected [[by]] said selecting step from [[said]] the E-mail server; and

a control step of controlling said receiving step so as not to receive an E-mail which was not selected by said selection unit from the E-mail server.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A method according to claim 16, wherein in said selecting step, a maximum value of a size of [[one]] an E-mail which has previously been stored is compared with the size information obtained [[by]] in said obtaining step, thereby discriminating whether or not the [[said]] E-mail is receivable or not.

Claim 18 (currently amended): A method according to claim 16, further comprising a deletion instructing step of sending [[an]] a delete instruction to the E-mail server to delete for deleting the E-mails which were not selected [[by]] in said selecting step from [[said]] the mail box to said E-mail server.

Claim 19 (currently amended): A computer program which is executed by a computer of an information processing apparatus having a communicating function, said computer program comprising:

code for a receiving step of receiving E-mails stored in a mail box provided on an E-mail server;

code for an obtaining step of obtaining a size of <u>an</u> E-mail stored in [[said]] <u>the</u> mail box;

code for a discriminating step of comparing the size of E-mail obtained by said <u>code for an</u> obtaining step with a maximum value of the size of [[one]] <u>an</u> E-mail which has previously been stored, thereby discriminating whether <u>or not</u> the E-mail is receivable ~~or not~~; and

code for a control step of ~~sending an instruction for deleting the E-mail which was determined to be unreceivable by said discriminating step~~ <u>controlling said code for the receiving step so as not to receive an E-mail discriminated by said code for the discriminating step as being not receivable, sending an instruction</u> to [[said]] <u>the</u> E-mail server <u>to delete the E-mail,</u> and storing ~~the fact that said~~ into a communication <u>history that the</u> E-mail has been deleted ~~into a communication history~~.

Claim 20 (currently amended): A computer program which is executed by a computer of an information processing apparatus having a communicating function, <u>said computer program</u> comprising:

code for an obtaining step of obtaining size information of each of a plurality of E-mails stored in a mail box provided on an E-mail server;

code for a selecting step of selecting [[the]] <u>a</u> receivable E-mail on the basis of the size information obtained by said <u>code for an</u> obtaining step; [[and]]

code for a receiving step of receiving the E-mail selected by said

code for the selecting step from [[said]] the E-mail server; and

code for a control step of controlling said code for the receiving step

so as not to receive an E-mail which was not selected by said code for a selecting step from

the E-mail server.

Claim 21 (original): A computer-readable memory medium which stores a

computer program according to claim 19.

Claim 22 (original): A computer-readable memory medium which stores a

computer program according to claim 20.